

# Your guide to organising a

# Tsunami Hīkoi

## What is it?

A tsunami walk is for anyone who lives, works or visits a tsunami evacuation zone. It shows people how easy it is to learn their tsunami evacuation route. This guide is a starting point to help you to design and implement a tsunami walk in your community.

## Own it

It's all about creating a tsunami walk that works for your community and making everyone safer with tsunami awareness.

## Plan it

- Choose a date & time.
- Identify your tsunami evacuation areas so that people can figure out their evacuation routes.
- Test your route to look for any potential hazards and adjust as needed.
- Consider who to invite.
- Decide whether you allow bikes, scooters or skateboards. During a real tsunami evacuation, it is safest for people to walk or bike quickly.
- Organise security and consider talking to your local neighbourhood support, local police or Maori wardens.
- Make it fun. Add in a competition or a dress up theme.

## Publicise it

Once you have a plan in place then start promoting your walk.

Consider:

- Posting about it on social media & creating a event page.
- Doing a letterbox drop or door knock.
- Creating posters & put these up around your community.
- Organising a school or community meeting.

## Tell us about it

Don't forget to let us know how it goes via our Website or Facebook.